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FROM HARTMAN

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: CYPRUS AND UN SECRETARL GENERAL

1. AT REQUEST OF UNDER SECRETARY GUYER I TELEPHONED SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM IN AUSTRIA AT 1900 LOCAL. WALDHIEM SAID HE HAS HEARD VERY DISBURBING REPORTS FROM GUYER AND WANTED ASSESSMENT OF SITUATION. I TOLD HIM THAT I WAS ALSO VERY DISTURBED AND BELIEVED HE WAS CORRECT TO BE WORRIED. THERE ARE ENOUGH SIGNS OF TURKISH TOUGHNESS TO FEAR THAT EVEN UNILATERAL ACTION ON CYPRUS IS A LIVE POSSIBILITY.

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2. I REVIEWED FOR HIM THE SITUATION IN GENEVA, I.E. THE UK AND

US EFFORTS TO PERSUADE TURKEY TO ACCORD A 36-48 HOUR DELAY SO THAT GREEK AND GREEK CYPRIOT REPRESENTATIVES COULD GO HOME TO TRY AND SELL THE IDEA OF AGREEING TO THE TURKISH DEMAND FOR A MAIN CANTON, PERHAPS NOT SAME SIZE AS THAT WHICH TURKS REQUESTING BUT SUBSTANTIAL ENOUGH TO FORM BASIS FOR A COMPROMISE SETTLEMENT AND KEEP NEGOTIATING PROCESS ALIVE. ECEVIT HAD INSTRUCTED GUNES TO REJECT THIS REQUEST AND MEETING OF ALL FIVE REPS PRESENTLY UNDERWAY AT WHICH THEY WOULD PUT FORWARD THEIR VARIOUS PROPOSALS, EACH SIDE WOULD REJECT THE OTHER'S IDEAS, WITH POSSIBILITY OF LAST-MINUTE APPEAL FROM DENKTASH TO GUNES FOR MORE TIME FOR CLERIDEAS AND MAVROS. DESPITE THIS LAST GAMBIT, IT SEEMS THAT TURKEY IS DETERMINED TO BREAK OFF TALKS AT 2200 IF GREECE DOES NOT AGREE TO ITS PROPOSALS AND THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT GREECE WILL SAY ANYTHING BUT NO.

3. WALDHEIM SAID THAT IF MEETING BROKE UP WITHOUT AGREEMENT HE PLANS RETURN MORNING OF AUG. 4 TO NEW YORK VIA LONDON WHERE HE WILL MEET WITH CALLAGHAN. HE SAYS THERE WILL HAVE TO BE A SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING IF TURKEY MOVES ON ISLAND, CALLED BY HIM IF NECESSARY SINCE THE UNFICYP MANDATE DOES NOT COVER MAJOR HOSTILITIES. HE HAS ALREADY GIVEN ORDERS TO UNFICYP ON PROVISIONAL BASIS TO WITHDRAW UNFICYP TO MAIN BASES IF TURKEY MOVES AS THEY HAD DONE WHEN TURKS FIRST LANDED. HE IS NOT DECIDED ON HOW TO HANDLE THE DEFENSE OF NOCOSIA AIRPORT, WHETHER IT SHOULD BE UN OR UK. HE DOES NOT LIKE THE IDEA OF MIXING THE TWO FORCES AND BELIEVES THAT UK HAS AUTHORITY AS A GUARANTOR TO PROTECT THE AIRPORT. HE OBSERVED THAT UK TROOPS WERE PRESENTLY DEFENDING IT AS PART OF UNFICYP. WALDHEIM SAID HE HAD ONLY ABOUT 150 FINNISH TROOPS ACTUALLY IN TURKISH CONTROLLED TERRITORY, WITH SOME 250-300 SWEDES ON EAST SIDE OF DEMARCATION LINE. WEST OF THE DEMARCATION LINE ARE THE BRITISH.

4. WE LEFT IT THAT WE WOULD STAY IN TOUCH TONIGHT.DALE

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